GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3906
ANSWERED ON:17.08.2001
OUTSTANDING AMOUNT PAYABLE BY SUGAR MILLS .
MADAN PRASAD JAISWAL

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in arrears outstanding payable to the farmers by the sugar mills during the current crushing season as compared to previous year; and

(b) if so, the arrears outstanding as on date separately of the Government and private sugar mills?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION V.SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a): The cane price payable amount, cane price paid amount, the cane price arrears amount and the percentage of cane price arrears for 2000-2001 sugar season as on 30th June, 2001 were as follows:

Rs. in crores

(i) Cane price payable amount 12568.38

(ii) Cane price paid amount 11537.32

(iii) Cane price arrears amount 1031.06

(iv) Cane price arrears as percentage to (i) above 8.2%

Similar details for the 1999-2000 sugar season as on 30th June, 2000, was follows:

Rs. in crores

(i) Cane price payable amount 9271.73

(ii) Cane price paid amount 8526.96

(iii) Cane price arrears amount 744.77

(iv) Cane price arrears as percentage to (i) above 8.0%

It may be observed from the above that the cane price payable amount in 2000-2001 sugar season has increased by Rs.3296.65 crores, while the cane price paid amount has increased by Rs.3010.36 crores as compared to the preceding sugar season. The

increase in the cane price arrears has been Rs.286.29 crores but percentage-wise, the cane price arrears during the 2000-2001 sugar season is 8.2% of the cane price payable amount against 8.0% in the preceding sugar season. The increase in the cane price arrears amount is mainly on account of increase in the cane price payable amount.

(b): The Cane price arrears for Government (Public) Sector and Private Sector sugar mills for 2000-2001 sugar season as on 30.06.2001 were as follows

Rs. In crores

(i)	Public Sector Sugar Mills	157.76
(ii)	Private Sector Sugar Mills	491.28